

the minimum wage is at a 40-year low. We know that 58 percent of the people on minimum wage are women who are struggling. The majority leader says he wants to get hold of that gender gap and make it smaller. He has a shot at doing that, it seems to me, if he would embrace this idea. If we could send a clean bill to the President, that is going to be good for the country, good for women, good for families.

So I think we are really close to an agreement, I say to my friend. We are getting there. And I think if the majority leader would work with the leadership in the House the way he did on the budget, getting certain guarantees, getting agreement on how both Houses would handle it and do the same thing on minimum wages, we will be here passing that minimum wage, addressing the issue of the gas tax and the other issues that my friend is anxious to address.

So I look forward to seeing us move together. I think the American people want us to reach across the party aisle. They are really crying out for that. And we have an opportunity to do it. I think the President gave us the way. He said: Send me a clean bill on the gas tax; send me a clean bill on minimum wage.

I think we can make that happen. And if we do, everyone has fulfilled his or her responsibility, it seems to me, to his or her constituencies.

So I am not overly pessimistic at the turn of events because I think we are making some progress, but I think we can really do better. I look forward to the budget debate that is coming tomorrow. I look forward to debating my friend again on some of those issues—Medicare, Medicaid, education, environment, deficit reduction, earned income tax credit. These are so important to the well-being of the people.

With an increase in the minimum wage, I have to say that can do more to change the lives of working people for the better than almost anything else we can do. And I hope we will see it done. I hope we will cross party lines to do it. I might note that we have been blocked from doing it. A majority of the Senate has voted to increase the minimum wage. The majority leader has filled the tree to block us from offering it on certain bills. I just look forward to the day when the majority here, the majority of Senators here, get to vote on that minimum wage and we do the business of the people.

I thank the Presiding Officer very much.

Mr. President, as I understand it, this has completed the Senate's business.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M.  
TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate now

stands in adjournment until 9:30 tomorrow morning.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 5:58 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, May 15, 1996, at 9:30 a.m.

## NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate May 14, 1996:

### IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF ADMIRAL IN THE U.S. NAVY WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 601:

#### To be admiral

VICE ADM. J. PAUL REASON, 000-00-0000

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF VICE ADMIRAL IN THE U.S. NAVY WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 601:

#### To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. (SELECTEE) PATRICIA A TRACEY, 000-00-0000

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF VICE ADMIRAL IN THE U.S. NAVY WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 601:

#### To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. (SELECTEE) JAMES O. ELLIS, JR., 000-00-0000

### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED AIR NATIONAL GUARD OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT AS RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE IN THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212, TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE, TO PERFORM DUTIES AS INDICATED.

### DENTAL CORPS

#### To be lieutenant colonel

THOMAS R. BIRD, 000-00-0000  
WILLIAM A. DYKES, JR., 000-00-0000

THE FOLLOWING AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR PROMOTION IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 12203 AND 8379, TITLE 10 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE. PROMOTIONS MADE UNDER SECTION 8379 AND CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE UNDER SECTION 12203 SHALL BEAR AN EFFECTIVE DATE ESTABLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8374, TITLE 10 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE.

### LINE

WARREN J. ANDERSEN, 000-00-0000  
PHILIP M. BENDER, 000-00-0000  
MICHAEL F. BROWN, 000-00-0000  
ROGER C. CHENOWETH, 000-00-0000  
RAFAEL A. ROVIRA, 000-00-0000  
RAYMOND R. TERRY, 000-00-0000  
KIMBERLY A. TOWNSEND, 000-00-0000  
BARCLAY A. TREHAL, 000-00-0000

### JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERALS DEPARTMENT

#### To be lieutenant colonel

GRANT V. BERGGREN, 000-00-0000  
ESTHER A. RADA, 000-00-0000

### CHAPLAIN CORPS

#### To be lieutenant colonel

STEVEN P. CORUM, 000-00-0000  
RALPH S. ENGLISH, 000-00-0000  
JULIUS JEFFERSON, 000-00-0000

### MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS

#### To be lieutenant colonel

PETER J. GOODMAN, 000-00-0000

### MEDICAL CORPS

#### To be lieutenant colonel

DOUGLAS T. CROMACK, 000-00-0000  
ERIK L. JOHNSON, 000-00-0000  
LEROY H. PARKS, 000-00-0000

### DENTAL CORPS

#### To be lieutenant colonel

MARK S. JOHNSON, 000-00-0000

### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICERS FOR PROMOTION TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE UNDER SECTION 307 OF TITLE 32, UNITED STATES

CODE, AND SECTIONS 12203 AND 8363 OF TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.

### To be colonel

### LINE

KENNETH D. ALLEN, JR., 000-00-0000  
MYRON G. ASHCRAFT, 000-00-0000  
ANTHONY AUGELLO, 000-00-0000  
PATRICK A. AYRES, 000-00-0000  
RONALD D. BALL, 000-00-0000  
TERRY R. BISTODEAU, 000-00-0000  
GERARD A. BRANGENBERG, 000-00-0000  
BRADLEY H. COPELAND, 000-00-0000  
GARY A. CORBETT, 000-00-0000  
WILLIAM R. COTNEY, 000-00-0000  
BILL J. COX, 000-00-0000  
THOMAS N. EDMONDS, 000-00-0000  
RONALD G. ELLIOTT, 000-00-0000  
JAMES H. FLYNN, 000-00-0000  
DAVID V. GARDNER, 000-00-0000  
LARS G. GRANATH, 000-00-0000  
JAMES B. HAMILTON, 000-00-0000  
ELWYN R. HARRIS, JR., 000-00-0000  
WILLIE D. HARRIS III, 000-00-0000  
EMIL D. HARVEY, JR., 000-00-0000  
RICHARD C. HASTINGS, JR., 000-00-0000  
WILLARD G. HILL, 000-00-0000  
ROBERT E. HORSTMAN, 000-00-0000  
CHARLES V. ICKES II, 000-00-0000  
STEPHEN A. JAMESON, 000-00-0000  
PETER M. JANAROS, 000-00-0000  
ROBERT J. JARECKE, 000-00-0000  
DAVID L. JONES, 000-00-0000  
WALTER K. KANEAKUA, JR., 000-00-0000  
JAMES C. KAPITAN, 000-00-0000  
RONALD A. KEITH, 000-00-0000  
DAVID D. KIRTLEY, 000-00-0000  
CARL J. KOCK, 000-00-0000  
CRAIG L. LARCOM, 000-00-0000  
ALEXANDER T. MAHON, 000-00-0000  
MARION J. MARTIN, 000-00-0000  
VERNON D. MARTIN, 000-00-0000  
DAVID V. MASSEY, 000-00-0000  
HOWARD F. MAY, 000-00-0000  
DONALD E. MCKELVEY, JR., 000-00-0000  
CLINTON E. MCNABB, 000-00-0000  
RONALD G. MOORE, 000-00-0000  
KEVIN L. MORRIS, 000-00-0000  
MARK R. MUSICK, 000-00-0000  
ROGER C. NAFZIGER, 000-00-0000  
VICTOR S. NATIELLO, 000-00-0000  
PETER S. PAWLING, 000-00-0000  
MANUEL G. PEREIRA, 000-00-0000  
JESS B. PITTS, 000-00-0000  
WILLIAM K. RICHARDSON, 000-00-0000  
ROBERT B. ROESSLER, 000-00-0000  
EUGENE SALANIUK, 000-00-0000  
WILLIAM N. SEARCY, 000-00-0000  
GARY M. SHANNON, 000-00-0000  
HOMER A. SMITH, 000-00-0000  
DERLE M. SNYDER, 000-00-0000  
RALPH B. STEWART, JR., 000-00-0000  
CHARLES W. WARREN, 000-00-0000  
HERBERT C. WHEELER, 000-00-0000  
LAWRENCE H. WOODBURY, 000-00-0000  
JAMES R. WYNNE, 000-00-0000

### CHAPLAIN CORPS

GEORGE F. ZECK, 000-00-0000

### JUDGE ADVOCATE

ROLAND F. BERLINGO, 000-00-0000  
WILLIAM H. ELLIS, JR., 000-00-0000  
ROBERT I. GRUBER, 000-00-0000  
ALEXANDER S. NICHOLAS 000-00-0000  
JAMES E. THOMPSON, 000-00-0000  
FANK A. TITUS, 000-00-0000

### MEDICAL CORPS

MICHAEL N. BROTHERS, 000-00-0000  
JAMES D. FEARL, 000-00-0000  
EARL R. HARRISON JR., 000-00-0000  
CLARENCE J. HINDMAN, 000-00-0000  
CHARLES E. KELLY, 000-00-0000  
ROGER W. KEMP, 000-00-0000  
MICHAEL J. PALETTA, 000-00-0000  
RICHARD B. TERRY, 000-00-0000

### NURSE CORPS

SUSAN J. AUGUSTUS, 000-00-0000  
CAROL ANN FAUSONE, 000-00-0000

### BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES CORPS

ALBERT L. SHERBURNE, 000-00-0000

## CONFIRMATIONS

Executive Nominations Confirmed by the Senate May 14, 1996:

### IN THE COAST GUARD

VICE ADMIRAL RICHARD D. HERR, U.S. COAST GUARD TO BE VICE COMMANDANT, U.S. COAST GUARD, WITH THE GRADE OF ADMIRAL WHILE SO SERVING.

THE ABOVE NOMINATION WAS APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEE'S COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

THE FOLLOWING REGULAR OFFICERS OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD FOR PROMOTION TO THE GRADE OF REAR ADMIRAL:

JOHN E. SHKOR	DOUGLAS H. TEESON
PAUL E. BUSICK	EDWARD J. BARRETT
JOHN D. SPADE	

THE FOLLOWING REGULAR OFFICERS OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD FOR PROMOTION TO THE GRADE OF REAR ADMIRAL (LOWER HALF):

JOSEPH J. MCCLELLAND,	PAUL J. PLUTA
JR.	THAD W. ALLEN
JOHN L. PARKER	

VICE ADMIRAL JAMES M. LOY, U.S. COAST GUARD TO BE CHIEF OF STAFF, U.S. COAST GUARD, WITH THE GRADE OF VICE ADMIRAL WHILE SO SERVING.

VICE ADMIRAL KENT H. WILLIAMS, U.S. COAST GUARD TO BE COMMANDER ATLANTIC AREA, U.S. COAST GUARD, WITH THE GRADE OF VICE ADMIRAL WHILE SO SERVING.

REAR ADMIRAL ROGER T. RUFE, JR., U.S. COAST GUARD, TO BE COMMANDER, PACIFIC AREA, U.S. COAST GUARD, WITH THE GRADE OF VICE ADMIRAL WHILE SO SERVING.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING MICHAEL S. FIJALKA, AND ENDING KIMBERLY J. NETTLES, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON NOVEMBER 28, 1995.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING GEORGE J. SANTA CRUZ, AND ENDING KEVIN M. PRATT, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON JANUARY 22, 1996.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING STEVEN D. POOLE, AND ENDING KEVIN J. MACNAUGHTON, WHICH

NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON FEBRUARY 9, 1996.

COAST GUARD NOMINATION OF SHERRY A. COMAR, WHICH NOMINATION WAS RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON FEBRUARY 20, 1996.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING GERALD E. ANDERSON, AND ENDING CONSTANTINA A. STEVENS, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON MARCH 5, 1996.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING STEPHEN ADLER, AND ENDING KIMBERLY ZUST, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON MARCH 11, 1996.

COAST GUARD NOMINATIONS BEGINNING RICHARD W. SCHNEIDER, AND ENDING JAN T. RIKER, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON JANUARY 22, 1996.